

(Translation)

Statement

I, Iancu Tissu, residing at 110 West 69th Street, New York, N.Y., state and assert the following, on my solemn word of honor:

About the beginning of January, 1953, my neighbor, Mr. Iona Spataru, informed me that Mr. Nicolae Valaxa wished to see me. I replied that I was prepared to receive him at any time but that there was no reason why I should call on him.

Thereupon, Mr. Valaxa sent me word - again through Mr. Spataru - that he requested that we should meet at the apartment of Mr. Spataru, who lives in the same building as myself, on the seventh floor. At our first meeting, Mr. Valaxa told me that he had never had anything to do with politics and that he was very much upset by a number of things with which he was being reproached.

I asked Mr. Valaxa then whether it was true that he had been distributing large sums of money to certain Romanians who were engaged in politics. This he confirmed and promised to show me the proof.

At a second meeting, which likewise took place in the apartment of Mr. Spataru, Mr. Valaxa showed me some of these proofs, among others a receipt signed by General Nicolae Radescu for the sum of \$186,000 (one hundred and eighty-six thousand dollars), dated 1950.

Entering into details, Mr. Valaxa then told me that the greater number of Romanians whom he had subsidized received such gifts sporadically, and that the only two who had received such subsidies constantly and uninterruptedly were General Radescu and Mr. Grigore Iafencu.

The present statement, recording the above, is signed by myself.

ss.: Iancu Tissu

Sworn to on January 29, 1953, before Iridore Liss, Notary Public  
New York, N.Y.

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